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SPRINGFIELD MAN SENTENCED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Springfield man was sentenced today for receiving images of child pornography on his home computer.

Gregory L. Trogdon, 42, of Springfield, was sentenced this afternoon by U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright to five years in prison without parole. Graves explained that the sentence reflects a mandatory minimum under the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, due to **Trogdon's** 1998 misdemeanor conviction in Greene County for sexual misconduct in the first degree. **Trogdon** was on probation for that state conviction, Graves said, when he committed the federal offense.

On March 29, 2002, **Trogdon** pleaded guilty to receiving child pornography. By pleading guilty, Graves said, **Trogdon** admitted that between August 1, 1999, and October 5, 2000, he received an unspecified number of images of child pornography by computer. The computer was seized on October 5, 2000, after Springfield police conducted a search of **Trogdon's** residence.

Trogdon was indicted by a federal grand jury in Springfield on January 24, 2002.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the FBI and the Springfield Police Department.
